Cross-Border Litigation

Globalization of the world's markets has brought ever-increasing opportunities for international commerce, the effect of which is to connect people, products and businesses throughout the world. With globalization, however, comes increased legal, regulatory, political, cultural, financial and reputational complexity and risk for international businesses.

Disputes arising in the context of international commerce tend to be equally complicated, often involving multiple proceedings advancing at the same time before courts of different jurisdictions. Effectively managing such disputes requires lawyers who possess a comprehensive knowledge of local law, procedure and market conditions, lawyers skilled at combining that knowledge with broad international experience, and lawyers with a truly global perspective and a thorough understanding of your business and its objectives. We call this Cross-Border Litigation.

As the largest litigation practice in the world, with over 1,800 lawyers in more than 30 countries spread across the Americas, Asia Pacific, Europe, the Middle East, Russia and the CIS, DLA Piper has more Cross-Border Litigation lawyers than any other firm. Our practice sits alongside our highly regarded International Arbitration group and leverages the firm's unrivalled teams of sector-focused lawyers to safeguard your business interests whenever, wherever and in whatever forum a dispute may arise.

In those jurisdictions where DLA Piper does not have an actual presence, the firm has well-established and trusted relationships with local firms who understand our approach to litigation, our commitment to quality and client service, and who share our international vision. In short, wherever your dispute arises and is to be resolved, DLA Piper has the experience and the sector-focused teams to secure the best outcome for your business.

**EXPERIENCE**

- Representing a multinational client in the recovery of oil product and sums due under oil supply contracts with a value of over $100 million from a Nigerian-based company, involving proceedings in the English High Court, the Nigerian Federal Court and in the Netherlands, where a ship and a cargo of oil product were arrested.
- Acting for a Saudi Arabian group in relation to a US$10 billion fraud claim in the Cayman Islands and related proceedings in Bahrain, Switzerland, the US and England.
- Acting for one of the world's largest US manufacturers and distributors of medical products in relation to US$200 million tortious interference claims against their competitors and defecting employees in the US, Japan, Austria, France, Germany.
and Switzerland.

- Representing a global defence contractor in FCPA/UK Bribery Act investigations pending simultaneously in European, African, Asian, and US jurisdictions.

- Advising a number of major reinsurers following the major market loss arising out of the floods in Queensland, Australia, resulting in physical damage and business interruption claims by a global resources company for A$1.2 billion.

- Representing the Government of the Republic of Zambia in its successful flagship anti-corruption case against its former president and 19 other defendants in the English High Court and on appeal, proceedings having taken place in London and Lusaka by way of a simultaneous video link between the two courtrooms.

- Advising professional trustees in US$1 billion litigation relating to the Madoff fraud, involving claims brought in the US, Bermuda and England, with satellite litigation in a number of other offshore jurisdictions.

- Obtaining freezing orders in Cyprus, Belize, Luxembourg and Liechtenstein on behalf of a Russian bank against a borrower who had misappropriated funds, and procuring his criminal prosecution in France.

- Advising a newly-elected democratic government in Asia on the recovery in Singapore, the UK, Malaysia and Myanmar of substantial assets fraudulently misappropriated by members of the former regime through the central banking system and government-owned instrumentalities.

- Recovering over £200 million for the administrators of a bridging finance company which was the subject of an extensive and high-profile fraud by one of its directors in proceedings in Pakistan, Dubai, Greece, Spain and Portugal.

**INSIGHTS**

**Publications**

**Four tips for an effective eDiscovery plan in China**

19 SEP 2018

A timely and well-documented eDiscovery plan, comprehensively addressing compliance with local laws, can also go a long way to address potential post-collection inquiries.

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**Top of Mind: Litigation**

6 SEP 2018

Here is a look at big topics that businesses have been thinking about this quarter, and how DLA Piper has been covering those stories.

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**$1.2B order entered against Petroleos de Venezuela: Q&As for PDVSA and Citgo commodity commercial and trading counterparties**

25 SEP 2018

In light of this order, how should counter-parties now approach their commodity-related contracts with PDVSA and CITGO?

This article has also been published by Lexis Nexis in Pratt's Journal of Bankruptcy Law.

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**6 trends will shape future international commercial disputes**

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The world of international litigation and arbitration tends to move slowly, but the pace of change may accelerate as these trends take hold.

**Surprise: Report places Australia second for corporate fraud in Asia Pac**

11 MAY 2018

The Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) recently released the 2018 edition of its Report to the Nations (the Report) on corporate fraud. The Report is a global study of occupational fraud, looking at over 2,600 cases and data from over 100 countries. It contains a wealth of information that will be of interest to anyone working in the compliance or risk space in any sized company - across all sectors.

**NEWS**

**DLA Piper's Ilana Eisenstein named an Unsung Hero by the Legal Intelligencer**

19 June 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Ilana Eisenstein, a Philadelphia-based partner and co-chair of the Appellate Advocacy practice, has been named to the Legal Intelligencer 2019 list of Unsung Heroes.

**DLA Piper secures appellate victory for Petrobras America**

18 June 2019

DLA Piper secured a victory on behalf of Petrobras America, Inc. in a long-running lawsuit against Vicinay Cadenas, S.A., a manufacturer of chains and accessories for the offshore industry.

**Scott Weber joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in New York**

10 June 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Scott Weber has joined the firm’s Litigation practice as a partner in the New York office.

**DLA Piper represents the Conrad Prebys Foundation in dismissal of derivative lawsuit**

31 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented the Conrad Prebys Foundation, a charitable foundation started by late philanthropist and San Diego developer Conrad Prebys, in the successful dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Prebys’ partner and former foundation board member.
Kate Brown de Vejar and Lida Rodriguez-Taseff named to *Latinvex*'s list of Latin America's Top 100 Female Lawyers

23 MAY 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Kate Brown de Vejar and Lida Rodriguez-Taseff have been named to *Latinvex*'s 2019 list of Latin America's Top 100 Female Lawyers.

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DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

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Mariana Lozza and Nicolas Teijeiro join DLA Piper Argentina

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper Argentina announced today the addition of Mariana Lozza as a partner in the International Arbitration practice and Nicolas Teijeiro as a partner in the Corporate Finance practice. Both will be based in the firm's Buenos Aires office.

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Carl Wessel joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Washington, DC

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Carl Wessel has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

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DLA Piper represents Immunomedics in dismissal of class action lawsuit

16 APR 2019

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DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

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Kathleen Birrane named to the *Daily Record*'s 2019 Top 100 Women list

14 MAR 2019

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DLA Piper is a global law firm operating through various separate and distinct legal entities. Further details of these entities can be found at www.dlapiper.com. This may qualify as
DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Kathleen Birrane, a partner in the firm's Litigation practice and Insurance sector, has been named to the *Daily Record's* 2019 Top 100 Women list.

Peter Karanjia joins DLA Piper’s Telecom and Appellate practices in Washington, DC

4 MAR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Peter Karanjia has joined the firm's Telecom and Appellate practices as a partner in Washington, DC.

DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

Stefanie Wayco joins DLA Piper’s Litigation practice in Atlanta

31 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Stefanie Wayco has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Atlanta.

Former Delaware Attorney General Matt Denn joins DLA Piper’s Litigation practice

23 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Matt Denn, who has served as Delaware’s attorney general since 2015, has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Wilmington.

Terry Weiss joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Atlanta

23 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Terry Weiss has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Atlanta.

Kate Brown de Vejar joins DLA Piper as global co-chair of International Arbitration

22 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Kate Brown de Vejar has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Mexico City and New York.
Two DLA Piper lawyers listed in *D Magazine*’s 2019 Best Lawyers Under 40 list

8 JAN 2019

Crystal Woods and James C. Bookhout were recently named to *D Magazine*’s 2019 Best Lawyers Under 40 list, which recognizes outstanding young lawyers in Dallas.

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Eric Falkenberry named a Law360 Data-Driven Lawyer for 2018

5 DEC 2018

Eric Falkenberry has been named a Law360 Data-Driven Lawyer for 2018.

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DLA Piper and IKM Advocates secure victory for the Republic of Kenya defeating a US$2 billion ICSID claim

24 OCT 2018

In a decisive victory for the Republic of Kenya, DLA Piper and DLA Piper Africa member firm, IKM Advocates, have successfully defeated the claim estimated to be worth US$2 billion in arbitration proceedings brought by a mining investor, Cortec Mining Kenya Limited. The claim was brought under the bilateral investment treaty (BIT) between the UK and Kenya dated 13 September 1999. The arbitration took place under the auspices of the World Bank's International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), with the hearing taking place in Dubai in January 2018. The Tribunal issued its award on 22 October 2018.

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DLA Piper secures summary judgment victory on behalf of well-known economist in fraud lawsuit

12 OCT 2018

DLA Piper won summary judgment on behalf of well-known economist Dr. Arthur Laffer, one of multiple defendants in a lawsuit alleging securities fraud and numerous other claims, and seeking more than US$30 million in damages.

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R. Matthew Hiller joins DLA Piper’s Litigation practice in Chicago

9 OCT 2018

DLA Piper announced today that R. Matthew Hiller has joined the firm’s Litigation practice as a partner in Chicago.

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Ellen Dew named to the *Daily Record*’s 2018 Leading Women list

5 OCT 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Ellen Dew, an associate in the firm’s Litigation practice, has been named to the *Daily Record*’s 2018 Leading Women List.

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Daniel Tobey joins DLA Piper’s Litigation practice in Dallas

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19 SEP 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Daniel Tobey has joined the firm’s Litigation practice as a partner in Dallas.

Brooke Kim and Evan Parness named Law360 Rising Stars

16 AUG 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Law360 has named Brooke Kim and Evan Parness to its 2018 list of Rising Star attorneys.

Angela Agrusa named to the Los Angeles Business Journal Top Litigators list

15 AUG 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Angela Agrusa has been named as one of the Top Litigators by the Los Angeles Business Journal.

Lida Rodriguez-Taseff joins DLA Piper’s Litigation practice in Miami

6 AUG 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Lida Rodriguez-Taseff has joined the firm’s Litigation practice as a partner in Miami.

Harout Samra of DLA Piper reappointed to Florida Third District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission

1 AUG 2018

Harout Samra was reappointed by Florida Governor Rick Scott to serve on the Florida Third District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission for a second term.

DLA Piper wins significant victory for New York University

31 JUL 2018

DLA Piper won a significant victory for its client, New York University (NYU), in an Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA)-related class action.

DLA Piper and cooperative firm lawyers recognized by the Latin American Corporate Counsel Association

17 JUL 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the Latin American Corporate Counsel Association have included eleven firm and cooperative firm attorneys on their list of Latin America’s leading business lawyers.
Eric Falkenberry named to the Fastcase 50 list

12 JUL 2018
Eric Falkenberry was named to the "Fastcase 50" list which honors "the smartest, most courageous innovators, techies, visionaries and leaders in the law."

Kristi Kung joins DLA Piper's Litigation and Healthcare practices in Northern Virginia and Washington, DC

27 JUN 2018
DLA Piper announced today that Kristi Kung has joined the firm's Litigation and Healthcare practices as a partner in Northern Virginia and Washington, DC.

Levi Heath joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Los Angeles

19 JUN 2018
DLA Piper announced today that Levi Heath has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

Robby Robertson joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Chicago

12 JUN 2018
DLA Piper announced today that J. Robert "Robby" Robertson has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Chicago.

DLA Piper secures victory for WebSpectator

24 MAY 2018
DLA Piper secured a victory this week in its representation of WebSpectator Corporation, a Santa Monica-based company that pioneered online analytics and attention ad space, as the plaintiff before the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

Angela Agrusa named to the Daily Journal's Top Women Lawyers in California list

2 MAY 2018
DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Angela Agrusa, a Los Angeles-based partner in the firm's Litigation practice, has been named one of the Top Women Lawyers in California by the Daily Journal.

Alva Mather joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Philadelphia
DLA Piper announced today that Alva Mather has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Philadelphia.

Angela Agrusa and Ann Lawrence named to *Los Angeles Business Journal*'s 2018 Most Influential Women Attorneys list

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Los Angeles-based partners Angela Agrusa and Ann Lawrence, global co-chair of the firm's Retail Industry sector, have both been selected for the *Los Angeles Business Journal*'s 2018 Most Influential Women Attorneys list.

DLA Piper wins significant victory for Maryland Reclamation Associates

DLA Piper won a significant victory for its client, Maryland Reclamation Associates, Inc. (MRA), in a case filed against Harford County, Maryland, in the Harford County Circuit Court.

DLA Piper adds Jason Lewis and Jason Hopkins to Litigation practice in Dallas

DLA Piper announced today that Jason Lewis and Jason Hopkins have joined the firm's Litigation practice as partners in Dallas.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2018

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 62 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of 1 April 2018 in the United States and 1 May 2018 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 42 different offices throughout 20 countries.

Brett Ingerman named to the *Daily Record*'s 2018 Leadership in Law list

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Brett Ingerman, managing partner of the firm's Baltimore office, was named to the *Daily Record*'s 2018 Leadership in Law list.

Jeff Tsai joins DLA Piper's Litigation, White Collar and Investigations practices in California

DLA Piper announced today that Jeff Tsai has joined the firm's Litigation, White Collar and Investigations practices as a partner in California, based out of the San Francisco and Los Angeles offices.
DLA Piper advises Timor-Leste on historic maritime treaty

6 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has been advising the Government of Timor-Leste, for more than four years, on its historic maritime treaty with the Australian Government, signed today at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, following the successful outcome of a compulsory conciliation process.

Former United States Magistrate Judge Andrew J. Peck to join Litigation practice in New York

3 MAR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that former United States Magistrate Judge Andrew J. Peck will join the firm's Litigation practice as senior counsel in the New York office.

DLA Piper files amicus brief with US Supreme Court in capital case

20 FEB 2018

DLA Piper filed on a pro bono basis an amicus brief to urge the United States Supreme Court to grant the petition for certiorari for Eric Branch.

DLA Piper expands in Dallas with addition of leading employment and litigation lawyers

1 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Marc Katz and Isabel Crosby have joined the firm's Dallas office as partners in the Employment practice, and Rob Hoffman has joined as a partner in the Litigation practice.

Businesses still not fully aware of Data Protection issues

31 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has released its second Data Privacy Snapshot report, finding that once again, company global privacy programs have gaps in meeting increasingly demanding global privacy principles. Significantly, it appears that many companies are falling short of data protection obligations under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which will start to apply from 25 May 2018.

Joel Athey joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Los Angeles

24 JAN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Joel Athey has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

DLA Piper adds to Chicago Litigation practice with Amy Rubenstein and John Scholnick
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DLA Piper completes merger with Liner LLP

2 OCT 2017
DLA Piper is pleased to announce that its combination with Liner LLP, a Los Angeles-based boutique law firm, is now effective.

DLA Piper's Philadelphia office adds two new associates

2 OCT 2017
DLA Piper today announced the addition of two new associates to the firm's Philadelphia office.

DLA Piper announces healthcare enforcement response team

26 SEP 2017
To better serve the healthcare sector, DLA Piper has established a team of experienced professionals to address governmental enforcement proceedings arising from activity by HEAT and other regulators.

DLA Piper recognized as a litigation powerhouse by BTI Consulting

14 SEP 2017
DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it has been recognized as a "powerhouse" law firm for class actions and complex commercial litigation by BTI Consulting Group in its recently published BTI Litigation Outlook 2018 report.

Former Assistant to the US Solicitor General Ilana Eisenstein joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Philadelphia

7 SEP 2017
DLA Piper today announced the addition of Ilana Eisenstein to the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Philadelphia.

DLA Piper adds litigator Christopher Oprison in Miami

22 AUG 2017
DLA Piper announced today that Christopher Oprison has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Miami.

Lisa Haile and Gina Durham named Daily Journal Top Intellectual Property Lawyers in California

16 AUG 2017
DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the Daily Journal has named Lisa Haile and Gina Durham to its 2017 list of Top Intellectual Property Lawyers in California. The award recognizes attorneys who successfully argued a novel theory of law, saved a client's business by winning a case or protected a client's portfolio.